St Philomena Reading List 2020

This a list of recommended books to read for students. Some of these books, particularly in the early years will need parents to be reading to their children. Many suggested books are connected to the historical period they are studying and thus are grouped by year level. This list is not exhaustive, rather is limited to the books in our library. As the library catalogue expands so too will the list.

**Grade One and Two**

Daulaires’ Book of Greek Myths – Ingri D’Aulaire  
Little Bear – Elise Holmelund Minarik and Maurice Sendak  
The Velveteen Rabbit – Margery Williams  
Sarah Plain and Tall – Patricia MacLachlan  
The Story of Ferdinand – Munro Leaf  
My Father’s Dragon – Ruth Stiles Gannett  
A New Coat for Anna – Harriet Ziefert  
Make Way for Ducklings – Robert McCloskey  
The Bears on Hemlock Mountain – Alice Daigliesh

Blueberries for Sal (McCloskey)

Gilgamesh the Hero, Geraldine McCaughrean

Children’s Homer Padraic Colum

Mythology: Timeless Tales of Gods and Heroes, Edith Hamilton

Herodotus and the Road to History, Jeanne Bendick

Bill and Pete Go Down the Nile, Tomie dePaola

D’Aularies’ Book of Norse Myths – Ingri D’Aulaire  
D’Aularies’ Book of Trolls – Ingri D’Aulaire  
Viking Tales – Jennie Hall (Gutenberg)  
Stories of Beowulf Told To Children – H.E. Marshall  
The Adventures of Robin Hood (Classic Starts Series) – Howard Pyle  
The Story of King Arthur and His Knights (Classic Starts Series) – Howard Pyle  
Saint George and the Dragon – Margaret Hodges  
The Kitchen Night: A Tale of King Arthur – Margaret Hodges  
A Medieval Feast – Aliki  
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Roald Dahl  
James and the Giant Peach – Roald Dahl  
Little House on the Prairie – Laura Ingalls Wilder  
Stuart Little – E.B. White  
Mr. Popper’s Penguins – Richard and Florence Atwater  
Augustine Came to Kent – Barbara Willard and Mary Beth Owens

Leif the Lucky, Ingri & Edgar D'Aulaire

Francis and Clare: Saints of Assisi, Helen Walker Homan

Catherine of Siena, Sigrid Undset

Beric the Briton, G.A Henty

The Princess & Curdie, George MacDonald

The Princess & the Goblin, George MacDonald

Saint George: Knight of Lydda, Anthony Cooney

Saint Magnus: The Last Viking, Susan Peek

Augustine Came to Kent, Barbara Willard

**Grade Three and Four**

Bard of Avon: The Story of William Shakespeare – Diane Stanley  
Shakespeare’s Stories for Young Readers  – E. Nesbit  
Little House books – Laura Ingalls Wilder

Charlotte’s Web – E.B. White

The Courage of Sarah Noble Alice Dalgliesh

The Children's Book of Virtues, William Bennett

The Aeneid for Boys and Girls, Alfred Church

The Chaucer Storybook, Eva March Tappan

Saint Benedict: Hero of the Hills

Saint Elizabeth's Three Crowns

Rikki Tikki Tavi, Rudyard Kipling

Peter Pan – J.M. Barrie  
Heidi – Johanna Spyri  
The Jungle Book – Rudyard Kipling  
Just So Stories – Rudyard Kipling  
Madeleine Takes Command – Ethel C. Brill  
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer – Mark Twain  
Little Lord Fauntleroy – Frances Hodgson Burnett  
Pinocchio – Carlo Collodi

The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett  
A Little Princess – Frances Hodgson Burnett  
Chronicles of Narnia – C.S. Lewis  
The Wizard of Oz – L. Frank Baum  
Black Beauty – Anna Sewell  
National Velvet– Enid Bagnold  
Swiss Family Robinson – Johann Wyss  
Around the World in Eighty Days – Jules Verne

**Grades Five and Six**

Black Ships Before Troy: The Story of the Iliad – Rosemary Sutcliffe

Hobbit – J.R.R. Tolkien

A Christmas Carol – Charles Dickens  
The Wanderings of Odysseus: The Story of the Odyssey – Rosemary Sutcliffe

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe – C.S. Lewis  
The Diary of Anne Frank – Anne Frank  
Hittite Warrior – Joanne Williamson  
God King: A Story in the Days of King Hezekiah – Joanne Williamson  
Herodotus and the Road to History – Jeanne Bendick  
Victory on the Walls: A Story of Nehemiah– Frieda Clark Hyman  
The Young Carthaginian – G.A. Henty  
The Red Keep – Allen French

The Boy Knight: A Tale of the Crusades – G.A. Henty  
The Story of Rolf and the Viking Bow– Allen French  
Son of Charlemagne – Barbara Willard  
Beric the Briton; A Story of the Roman Invasion – G.A. Henty  
The Canterbury Tales – Geoffrey Chaucer, retold by Geraldine McCaughrean

The Young Carthaginian, G.A Henty

The Story of the Romans, H.A Guerber

Trojan War, Olivia Coolidge

Wanderings of Odysseus, Rosemary Sutcliff

Mara, Daughter of the Nile, Eloise McGraw

The Children's Homer, Padraic Colum

St Joan, Louis De Wohl

St Helena and the True Cross, Louis De Wohl

The Eagle of the Ninth, Rosemary Sutcliff

The Silver Branch, Rosemary Sutcliff

Beowulf the Warrior, Ian Serrailier

Year 7

The Door in the Wall – Marguerite De Angeli

Bronze Bow, Elizabeth George Speare

Citadel of God, Louis De Wohl

Gift of the Magi, O Henry